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SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Sir, the Hon. the Minister for Finance says that there was some kind of unanimity or agreement among the various parties. But I find Sri K. P. Gopalan representing one party and Sri Koran representing another party (Praja Socialist Party) both objecting to this move. May I know whether the opposition as such of the Praja Socialist Party is the same as that of the Communist Party?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : In view of the fact that there is no unanimity, and the political parties are opposing this move, the Government also are against the resolution.

* SRI P. T. RAJAN : Much ado about nothing has been made. There was unanimity in the Committee with a view to helping Ootacamund. It was not a question of anyone trying to make political capital. No doubt the Hon. the Leader of the House was very cautious. If there is not going to be unanimity, I have certainly no hesitation in withdrawing my resolution.

The resolution was, by leave, withdrawn.

VI.—MOTION UNDER RULE 21 (3) OF THE ASSEMBLY RULES.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I move—

"That under rule 21 (3) of the Assembly Rules, the Madras Compulsory Labour (Amendment) Bill, 1955, be postponed and the South Kanara Cultivating Tenants Protection (Amendment) Bill, 1956, be taken up now."

The motion was put and carried.

VII.—GOVERNMENT BILL.

THE SOUTH KANARA CULTIVATING TENANTS PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1956.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, I beg to introduce the South Kanara Cultivating Tenants Protection (Amendment) Bill[a], 1956, and move—

"That the Bill be taken into consideration at once."

Sir, this is a very simple Bill. In view of the fact that we have not been able to finalise the Tenancy Bill and also the various issues relating to land reform, it is necessary to extend the life of the Act. That is the object of this Amendment Bill. I hope the House will pass this Bill unanimously.

MR. SPEAKER : Motion moved—

"That the South Kanara Cultivating Tenants Protection (Amendment) Bill, 1956, be taken into consideration at once."

* SRI L. C. PAIS : Sir, the Bill, as has been pointed out, seeks practically to extend the life of the existing Act. Certainly there cannot be two opinions on the subject. The present Act seeks to

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give enough safeguards to good tenants who have been paying their rents regularly, and prevent their evictions. So far as the main purpose of the Act is sought to be subserved and extended, there can certainly be no objection. What South Kanara has always been feeling and hoping for is some sort of just legislation which while protecting the tenants would also give enough safeguards to the landholders. In other words, what we expect is a legislation which will not be termed expropriatory. In the hope that this legislation will eventually come, we support the present Bill.

SRI C. KANDASAMY : கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, இந்தச் சட்டம் நீடிக்கப்படுவது பற்றி ஆட்சேபணை கிடையாது. சென்ற வருஷம் இந்தச் சட்டம் இயற்றப்பட்டபொழுது, அதில் இருக்கக்கூடிய பிரச்னைகளைப் பற்றி விரிவாக பரிசிலனை செய்யப்படுமென்றும், அந்த அடிப்படையில் விரிவான சட்டம் கொண்டுவரப்படுமென்றும், அது வரையில் இந்தச் சட்டம் தாற்காலிகமாக அமுலில் இருக்குமென்றும் சொல்லப்பட்டது. தென் கன்னடத்தில் இருக்கக்கூடிய விவசாயிகளின் பல தரப்பட்ட பிரச்னைகளை கணக்கில் எடுத்துக்கொண்டு, மற்ற பிரதேசத்திலுள்ள வ்வசாயிகளுக்கும் நிவாரணம் வந்துகொண்டிருக்கிறது என்ற நிலைமையில், ராஜ்யத்தின் ஒரு பகுதியில் உள்ள விவசாயிகளுக்கு வேறொரு ருபத்தில் குறைபாடுகள், கஷ்டங்கள் இருக்கலாம் என்பதையும் கணக்கிலெடுத்துக் கொண்டு, அரசாங்கம் சீக்கிரமாக விரிவான சட்டம் கொண்டுவர முயற்சி செய்யவேண்டுமென்பதைத் தெரிவித்துக்கொண்டு, இந்தச் சட்டத்தை இப்பொழுது நான் ஆதரிக்கிறேன்.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I am glad that it has been agreed that there is need for this amending legislation. I may assure hon. Members that the various aspects of the comprehensive land reform Bill are under consideration. Pending that Bill, this legislation is being brought forward. We will have to take into consideration proposals for the reorganization of States also. Considering that this Bill has become inevitable, I am glad to note there is unanimous support to this Bill.

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the South Kanara Cultivating Tenants Protection (Amendment) Bill, 1956, be taken into consideration at once."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was taken into consideration.

Clause 2, clause 1 and the preamble were put and carried.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, I move—

"That the South Kanara Cultivating Tenants Protection (Amendment) Bill, 1956, be passed."

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the South Kanara Cultivating Tenants Protection (Amendment) Bill, 1956, be passed."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

MR. SPEAKER : I now adjourn the House *sine die*.

The House then adjourned *sine die*.